## Recreation and Park Advisory Board

### **Montrose Community Center**

### May 21, 2015

Members Present: Chip Boylan, Larry Eason, Tom Lynch, Susan Baker, Sandeep Dayal,

Roline Milfort and Bob Taylor

Members Absent: George Sushinsky and Tom Luginbill

Staff Present: Tim Chesnutt, Michelle Bean and Alice Nikitina

# **Re: Approval of Minutes**

The minutes were approved as presented.

### **Re: Citizens Forum**

Jack Lofgren (and his mother) was present to give a presentation on beavers in Wootton's Mill Park. Roline mentioned to Jack that the Board does have a youth member component and if interested he should contact Tim to inquire.

### **Re: Staff Report**

Andy Lett, Recreation Superintendent and Paige Janzen, Civic Center Superintendent was present to meet and greet the Board.

Alice Nikitina, Recreation Program Specialist was present to share with the Board the recent happenings at Montrose Community Center. Bob inquired what the program needs in support of the Board. Alice responded that a second center is in need and has been proposed for FY16 budget.

### Re: FY16 Budget

Tim briefed the Board on the recent adopted FY16 budget. He mentioned that the department did well with the programming and activities but lost two FTE positions. The guide creation was one of these positions.

Roline inquired if local businesses could advertise in the guide to help offset the costs. She also inquired if it might be possible to create an easy index type guide for those that are accustomed to viewing a hard copy.

## **Re: Subcommittee Reports**

Community Centers and Parks – None.

Glenview Mansion – Great celebration for Kathleen Moran's retirement send off.

Recreation and Parks Foundation – Fliers for a free ride home at Hometown Holidays will be available at the beverage booths on behalf of the foundation and Barwood cabs.

RedGate - None.

Sports and Fitness – None.

Swim and Fitness Center – The subcommittee welcomed a new youth member.

Upper Watts Branch Stream Study – None.

**Re:** Monthly Divisional Reports

Included as FYI.

#### **Re: Old Business/New Business**

Chip and Sandeep accepted the proclamation for the National Kids to Park day at the Mayor and Council meeting.

The summer and fall youth tennis tournament will be coming up. The summer dates are June  $6^{th}$  (10 and under) and June  $13^{th}$  (12 and under).

Park tour next month and the Board would like to visit the following locations – Dogwood Park, Elwood Smith, Potomac Woods Park,

Park Board members Chip Boylan, Larry Eason, Tom Lynch, Susan Baker, Sandeep Dayal, Roline Milfort and Bob Taylor will attend the Memorial Day parade on behalf of the Board to judge the selection of the Recreation and Park Advisory Board award.

There was a brief discussion about Peerless moving into King Farm Farmhouse.

### Re: Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Thursday, June 25 with the Boards annual park tour.

\*I have already reserved the van for you for June 25<sup>th</sup>. You will need to pick up and make sure it is filled with gas. You will also need to order pizza, drinks and dessert for the meeting.